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Applicant respectfully appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated November 20, 2003, in which the Office finally rejected claims 1-19 of the above-captioned patent application.

Enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the final rejection for three months, to and including May 20, 2004.

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